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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A transparent, biaxially oriented polyester film with a base layer B, at least 80% by weight of which ~~is composed~~ consists essentially of a thermoplastic polyester, and with at least one outer layer A, wherein:

the outer layer A ~~is composed~~ consists essentially of a copolymer or of a mixture of homopolymers and copolymers, which contains ethylene 2,6-naphthalate units in a range of from 91 to 97% by weight and from 3 % up to 9% by weight of ethylene terephthalate units, and/or units derived from cycloaliphatic or aromatic diols and/or dicarboxylic acids;

the thickness of the outer layer A is more than 0.7  $\mu\text{m}$  and makes up less than 25% by weight of the total film, and

the  $T_g$  value of the polyester film is above the  $T_g$  value of the polyester for the base layer B but below the  $T_g$  value of the polyester for the outer layer A.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Original) The transparent film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outer layer A has a thickness of more than 0.8  $\mu\text{m}$  and makes up less than 22% by weight of the total film.

4. (Original) The transparent film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the oxygen permeation of the film is below 85  $\text{cm}^3/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{bar} \cdot \text{d})$ .

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5. (Currently Amended) [[The transparent film as claimed in claim 1,]] A transparent, biaxially oriented polyester film with a base layer B, at least 80% by weight of which is composed of a thermoplastic polyester, and with at least one outer layer A, wherein:

the outer layer A is composed of a copolymer or of a mixture of homopolymers and copolymers, which contains ethylene 2,6-naphthalate units in a range of from 91 to 97% by weight and up to 9% by weight of ethylene terephthalate units, and/or units derived from cycloaliphatic or aromatic diols and/or dicarboxylic acids;

the thickness of the outer layer A is more than 0.7  $\mu\text{m}$  and makes up less than 25% by weight of the total film, and

the  $T_g$  value of the polyester film is above the  $T_g$  value of the polyester for the base layer B but below the  $T_g$  value of the polyester for the outer layer A,

wherein the adhesion between the individual layers is greater than 0.5 N/25 mm.

6. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim + 5, which additionally comprises an intermediate layer Z having a thickness above 0.1  $\mu\text{m}$ .

7. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim + 5, the structure of which has three layers and comprises a base layer B, an outer layer A and an outer layer C.

8. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim + 5, the structure of which has four layers and comprises an outer layer C, arranged thereupon a base layer B, and arranged thereupon an intermediate layer Z, and arranged thereupon an outer layer A.

9. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim + 5, wherein at least one of the outer layers has been pigmented.

10. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim + 5, wherein at least one side of the film has been treated with an electric corona discharge.

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11. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one side of the film has been in-line coated.

12. (Currently Amended) The transparent film as claimed in claim 1, which, at least on the outer layer A, has been metallized or ceramic-coated.

13. (Currently Amended) A process for producing the film as claimed in claim 1, encompassing the steps

- producing a film from base and outer layer(s) by coextrusion,
- biaxially stretching the film, and
- heat-setting the stretched film,

which comprises carrying out the biaxial stretching by a longitudinal stretching of the film at a temperature in the range from 80 to 130°C and by a transverse stretching in the range from 90 to 150°C and using a longitudinal stretching ratio in the range from 2.5:1 to 6:1 and using a transverse stretching ratio in the range from 3.0:1 to 5.0:1.

14. (Original) The process as claimed in claim 13, wherein, for heat-setting, the stretched film is held for a period of from about 0.1 to 10 s at a temperature of from 150 to 250°C.

15. (Original) The process as claimed in claim 13, wherein cut material arising during film production is reused as regrind in the film production in amounts of up to 60% by weight based in each case on the total weight of the film.